Remarks

The Applicant acknowledges, with thanks, the receipt of the office action dated December 12, 2005 and the completion of a personal interview conducted on February 28, 2006. The discussions therein, along with the Examiner's much appreciated observations and suggestions, are summarized and incorporated herein.

Claims 1-5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 6,934,792 to Gubbi. Claims 6-8 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Gubbi in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,397,259 to Lincke et al. Claims 9-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over either U.S. Patent No. 6,421,716 to Eldridge et al. or U.S. Patent No. 6,256,666 to Singhal, in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,952,780 to Olsen. Claims 15-17 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over either Eldridge or Singhal, in view of Olsen, and further in view of Lincke. Claims 1-17 have been canceled with this amendment and new claims 18-33 substituted therefore. For the reasons noted below, new claims 18-33 are patentable over the art of record.

By way of review, the subject application is directed to a system and method for wireless or Bluetooth connection to a document processor. In the system and method of the subject application, the presence of a Bluetooth data communication directed to an associated document processor and initiated by one or more associated data processing devices, is detected. Upon detection of the Bluetooth data communication, a request data packet, including a request for document processing services to be performed by the document processor, is received from the associated data processing device. A response packet is broadcast via Bluetooth to the one or more associated data processing devices upon successful receipt of a request data packet. At least one data packet comprising an electronic document corresponding to the requested document is received via Bluetooth from the one or more associated data processing devices. Each received data packet corresponding to the electronic document is stored in a data buffer corresponding thereto, wherein storage of the received data packets is terminated upon the receipt of a data packet containing an end-of-file request. Upon the receipt of the end-of-file request, the processing of the data contained in the data buffer is commenced. Such processing is performed in accordance with the requested document processing services. It is noted that the subject invention provides for the receipt of document processing requests from a plurality of

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data processing devices to the document processor. The processing of an electronic document from a selected data processing device is not started until the receipt of the end-of-file request, indicating that the document processor has received the entire document.

None of the cited references disclose a system or method by which a Bluetooth communication system is used for communication of an electronic document to a device for processing in accordance with the forgoing. This functionality allows for efficient and effective use of Bluetooth for communication of electronic documents, and is readily conducive to a system for handling Bluetooth document processing request from multiple or concurrent sources.

Each independent claims, claims 18 and 26, include the aforenoted limitations and are thus patentably distinct over the art of record.

Accordingly, for these reasons, and those discussed during the personal interview, it is submitted that all claims are patentably distinct over the art of record and in condition for allowance thereover.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all present claims are patentably distinct over the art of record and in condition for allowance thereof. If the Examiner believes there are any further matters which need to be discussed in order to expedite the prosecution of the present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned.

If there are any fees necessitated by the foregoing communication, please charge such fees to our Deposit Account 50-0902, referencing our Docket No. 66329-20690.

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